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SUBJ: US-GREEK BASE NEGOTIATIONS: TELECOMMUNICATIONS

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1. AS SUGGESTED BY REFTTEL B AND FOLLOWING TELECOM AGREE-
MENT BETWEEN AMBASSADOR CALOGERAS AND MINISTER STEARNS TO
POSTPONE FURTHER TELECOMMUNICATIONS SUBGROUP DISCUSSIONS,
US REPS MET INFORMALLY WITH COL. SPIROU, HAF, ON 11 JULY.
US REPS INFORMED SPIROU OF THE COMPLICATED NATURE OF THE
STAFF WORK ALREADY DONE AND TO BE DONE IN THIS AREA.
THEY ASSURED HIM THAT THE GREEK PROPOSALS WERE BEING
CAREFULLY STUDIED AND MUCH PROGRESS HAD BEEN MADE. US
REPS ALSO EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT BY WAITING UNTIL
SEPTEMBER THE STAFF IN WASHINGTON COULD FINISH THEIR WORK
AND MORE SUBSTANTIVE TALKS WOULD BE POSSIBLE.

2. COL. SPIROU HAD OBVIOUSLY NOT BEEN INSTRUCTED OF THE
STEARNS-CALOGERAS AGREEMENT TO POSTPONE THE TALKS BUT
INDICATED HE HAD NO PERSONAL OBJECTIONS. HE AGREED TO
CONSULT WITH HIS SUPERIORS TO INCLUDE AMBASSADOR CALOGERAS.
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